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SUSPENSION OF VAGRANCY LAWS ASKED BY VYNE

**INTRODUCES JOINT RESOLUTION
TO SUSPEND LAWS UNTIL THE
WORKING CONDITIONS SHOW
IMPROVEMENT; WORKERS ARE
URGED NOT TO WANDER FROM
PLACE TO PLACE.**

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 20.—The Winsor election bill, which plans a complete reorganization of the state's campaign and voting systems, was reported out of committee today in the senate and its author, Senator Mulford Winsor of Yuma, expects the measure will come up early next week.

Discussing this bill, which is regarded in the capitol corridors as the most advanced piece of legislation of its kind yet introduced in any state, Senator Winsor said today that he did not expect the measure as a whole would develop serious opposition, since the demand for such a measure appeared to be general throughout Arizona. He said he had had inquiries and favorable comment on the bill from many sources, and so far the sentiment in its favor seemed to be strong.

Vyne brought into the house today a joint resolution on the lines of the one which failed in the senate late yesterday asking suspension of the vagrancy laws during the present state of industry and employment and urging men to remain in their own neighborhood until work is found for them, rather than travel about looking for work.

The house rules were suspended and it appeared that the resolution was in fair way to pass, when Lines suggested an amendment which sent it back to the committee for alteration. The amendment, which was approved, strongly urged workers not to strike under present conditions, but to remain at their work till what is called by resolution "critical conditions" improve.

The document asks boards of supervisors and city and town authorities to start all improvements possible in order to meet the immediate problem of providing relief for this desperate situation.

Red Flag Bill Passed

With regard to the proposed suspension of the vagrancy laws except in aggravated cases, "public authorities are reminded that much rests upon their judgment, firmness and fairness in enforcing the law, with regard to the extremely dangerous and critical situation caused by wholesale unemployment, due to the crisis in the market of our principal industry, and all citizens of the state of Arizona are called upon to co-operate with the public authorities in maintaining peace."

Parr's senate bill to prevent the unfurling of red or black flags in Arizona or the displaying of the banners of unfriendly nations, went through the house with only one dissenting voice and now is ready for the governor's signature.

Another senate bill which passed the house was that which would allow the state to loan funds on reclamation projects regardless of any federal government liens on the land.

Three Other Bills Favored

Three other senate bills were favorably acted upon, one appropriating \$5,000 to meet overdue accounts in the office of the superintendent of public health, another dealing with

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ENCOURAGEMENT IN NEAR EAST FUND; LARGE CONTRIBUTION

PHOENIX, Feb. 21.—The state committee in charge of relief for the Near East is encouraged over the recent progress of the campaign, which will end Monday, February 24.

The largest single subscription to date from any corporation or individual is one for \$12,500 from the Phelps-Dodge Corporation; one-half of this sum represents the personal contribution of Cleveland Dodge. In fairness to the committee in charge of the campaign in the various districts of Arizona, this contribution was accredited as follows: Tombstone \$500; Bisbee \$4500; Douglas \$4500; Prescott \$500; Morenci \$2500.

The addition of \$2500 to the Morenci fund brought the total of that district to \$4500, this being \$500 in excess of the quota for that point.

Morenci is the third town in the state to go "over the top," Kingman and Winkelman being the first to accomplish this feat.

Reports from many counties and districts where the work of canvassing was delayed last week for lack of proper organization, or because of the interference of other public activities, indicates considerable progress in the last two or three days and if the committees produce the results expected there is yet hope that Arizona will have raised its quota by next Monday, the new time limit allowed for this purpose.

EX-SOLDIERS' BURIAL BILL IS POSTPONED

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 20.—The senate today indefinitely postponed the house bill to provide for the burial of ex-soldiers, sailors and marines of the United States and the widow or mother of any such deceased soldier, sailor or marine.

On February 13 the senate passed the bill with certain amendments and on the same date the house refused to concur in those amendments. Then the senate asked for the return of the bill for further consideration, but today it indefinitely postponed it.

CAN'T THROW BOMBS IN ARIZONA ANYMORE

PHOENIX, Feb. 20.—Representative Kimball aimed a blow at bombs and bombers when he brought down in the house today a bill to make it a felony for any person in Arizona to carry about his person or have on his premises any such infernal machine as a bomb.

To insure what the author of the bill believes would be an adequate punishment for any infraction of such a law a penalty is provided of not less than 10 years in prison and not more than 20.

CRONIN PLANS CHANGE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL SITE

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 20.—Con T. Cronin, state librarian, is preparing for introduction in the senate a bill to provide for the appointment of a commission by the governor to select a new site for the state industrial school within the borders of Graham county. The bill would become operative within 30 days of its passage and would make no appropriation for the selection committee except its expenses.

Addressing the local women's club on the subject of the Fort Grant industrial school Mrs. Thomas E. Campbell, wife of the governor, urged that the women's clubs of the state get behind a movement to improve conditions there.



BELIEVE BISBEE WOMAN SLAIN BY HUSBAND; ARRESTED

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 20.—At the telegraphic request of the Bisbee, Ariz. chief of police, M. Artenoff was arrested here by detectives tonight as he stepped from an east-bound train at the Union station.

In addition to \$200 in cash Artenoff carried a loaded revolver, according to the police.

BISBEE, Ariz., Feb. 20.—Pending investigation of reports that his wife has met with foul play, M. Artenoff arrested tonight at El Paso, on a felony warrant, will be held to answer a charge of passing worthless checks.

Artenoff, arrested here Monday on a charge of grand larceny, gave a check for \$300 as bail. Today the check was returned by the bank marked "no funds." It was then discovered by the local sheriff's office that Artenoff had drawn his account of \$6,000 from the bank and left for El Paso.

Later Judge J. L. Winters was informed by telephone that the body of a woman had been found on Artenoff's ranch at Sark, Ariz. Mrs. Artenoff has been missing for some time, her husband denying any knowledge of her whereabouts.

Officers from the sheriff's office have gone to Sark to investigate the report that Mrs. Artenoff's body has been found, and until their return Artenoff will be held on the felony charge.

LOCAL OFFICIALS TO PAY NO INCOME TAX

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Officials and employees of a state, county, city or other political subdivision will not be required to pay income tax on their public compensation for 1918, the internal revenue bureau announced today in answer to inquiries. They need not even count this income from public sources in deciding whether to make a return, although income from any private source is taxable. This exemption applies to governors, state executive officers, legislators, judges and local officials or employees, including policemen. It does not, however, include officers or employees of the federal government.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS; APPOINT NEW MEMBER

The city council disposed of considerable business at its session held last night, which lasted several hours. About the first order of business was the appointment of another councilman to take the place of W. G. Gilmore, of the 3rd ward, who resigned over a month ago. W. T. Boyd was appointed to fill the unexpired term. Mr. Boyd is one of the substantial business men of the city and will be a valuable man on the council. He served as councilman in Douglas for several years before locating in Tombstone and is well conversant with city government.

The matter of cleaning the city was brought up, and after considerable discussion was continued until the first meeting in March, when action will be taken to clean up the city before the warm months set in. The Mayor also appointed a committee to see that the city fire carts and hose connections are inspected at least once each month in order to keep them in good condition.

The matter of repairing the dip on lower Allen street was taken up but was tabled for later action. Authorization to repair the roof of the city hall was also given and work will be started at once. Several bad leaks have developed within the past few months and the council decided to do the necessary repair work before it became worse.

The matter of condemning several buildings about the city also came up but was laid up for final action at the next meeting, which will be held the first Monday in March.

FOUR ARIZONA MEN ON TODAY'S CASUALTY LIST

Four Arizona men, all wounded slightly in action, are named in today's list of overseas casualties. With their addresses and next of kin they are:

William C. Fulton, John E. Fulton, 124 East Portland place, Phoenix.

James W. Taylor, James D. Fisher, Bisbee.

Theodore Gibson, R. R. Gibson, 22nd Infantry, Douglas.

Oscar Herbert Webb, Mrs. William Webb, 82 Tenth street, Phoenix.

STATE ORPHAN HOME PROVIDED IN UNIQUE BILL

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 20.—Novel in its wording and provisions, yet showing a keen and sympathetic understanding of the problem sought to be met, a bill has been introduced in both the house and senate for the establishment of a home for Arizona's orphans, to be known as the Arizona State Children's Home.

Among the provisions of the bill is that the directors shall be selected from the parents of minor children, directors that have to meet in their own homes the same problems they will have to administer in children's home. It is removed from politics by the provision that the superintendent shall serve as long as his administration is for the welfare of the children and meets with the approval of the board.

The proposed school is to be so located that children may attend the regular public schools, securing thereby all the advantages of this democratic system, usually denied to "institutional children."

Governor Campbell favors the proposed measure, he stated yesterday. "Arizona," said the governor, "has a duty to perform in the care of orphaned children and a number of wise provisions have been incorporated in this bill. I like the idea of sending the children to the public schools, it will be good for them and will lessen the expense of maintaining the institution. At the present time we can do nothing for our orphans except send them to the industrial school, which seems distinctly not to be good for them. Undoubtedly a board composed of the parents of minor children would administer the institution other things being equal, better than the type all too often put in charge of the public dependents."

JOHN READE TO BE TRIED AFTER LONG LEGAL BATTLE

PHOENIX, Feb. 15.—After spending two years in the jails of Yavapai and Maricopa counties, John H. Reade, charged with murder, is to be given a trial. He has been removed to Tucson, where his trial will open February 25. Reade is accused of killing an Indian on the Papago reservation.

JURY FINDS HOCKETT GUILTY IN FIVE MINUTES

**BART HOCKETT SENTENCED TO
SERVE 18 MONTHS AT HARD
LABOR AND PAY \$300 FINE, FOLLOWING
CONVICTION; HAD
OVER \$100,000 IN BOOZE WHEN
HOUSE WAS RAIDED.**

It took the jury just five minutes to return a verdict of guilty in the case of the state vs. Bart Hockett, which was tried this morning in the Superior Court.

The jury was selected this morning as follows to try the case:

Wm. Burrows, Silas Ashman, Jack H. Warren, Albert D. Holliman, Frank Winberg, Geo. S. Jones, J. A. Smoot, J. A. Gorman, L. B. Carey, James F. Duncan, Peter Eddy, Jas. E. Hall.

The case went to the jury shortly after the noon hour, and a verdict was returned into court five minutes after the jury went out.

Following the verdict Judge Lockwood imposed a sentence of 18 months at hard labor and a fine of \$300.

Hockett is the man on whose premises in Pirtleville federal and county officers found over \$100,000 worth of booze and liquors, when they raided his home several months ago. Witnesses for the state and federal government were Justin C. Daspi, of the Department of Justice, and Officers Percy Bowden, O. E. Jones, J. D. Kirkpatrick, who made the raid. He will face another charge in the federal court after he serves his present sentence.

ARIZONA PLAN BEATS US SAY UTAH DELEGATION

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 20.—The commission sent by Governor Simon Bamberger and the state legislature to Arizona to negotiate with that state for the purchase of the strip bordering Utah north of the Colorado river, today read its report to the house of representatives. Owing to opposition to the ceding of the strip that developed at Phoenix, the commissioners found it inadvisable to negotiate further for the deals, but the commission reported that the Arizona senate had passed a bill appropriating money for the construction of a bridge across the river and for the maintenance of highways for the opening of traffic to the Grand Canyon. Arizona's principal objection to the cession to Utah, voiced by the legislature, was based on a report of an investigation by the University of Arizona that the strip would support 20,000 persons through dry farming.

GOVERNOR REFUSES TO SIGN RESOLUTION

PHOENIX, Feb. 20.—A memorandum in the office of Speaker Peterson of the house today read:

"Governor transmitted house concurrent resolution number three to secretary of state without executive action."

House concurrent resolution three provides for the turning over to the state board of education of 500 copies of State Historian Farish's history of Arizona. The governor, in line with his policy voiced in a recent message urging the abolishing of the office of state historian, refused to sign the resolution as it passed the legislature and it became law within the five days without such executive action.